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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

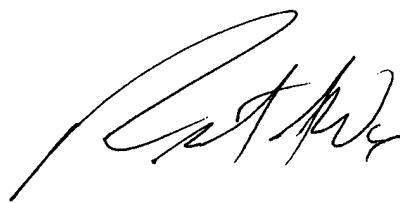
1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. The examiner's amendment adds two claims, thus creating a discrepancy in the number of claims in the application and the number of claims paid for. After the amendment there are 22 claims, 6 of which are independent. Applicant previously paid for 20 claims, four of which were independent. Thus, an additional fee of \$250 is required. Authorization to charge this fee to Deposit Account No. 20-0823 was given in a telephone interview with Charles Romano on May 5, 2006.
3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Charles Romano on April 24, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please replace the existing claim set with the following:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) A polypeptide of from 6 to 20 amino acids capable of inhibiting the activation of factor X in the presence of

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